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## AROUND THE CIRCLE.

### NOTES FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENTS

**Antonio Chavez Accidentally Shot--  
Nice Description of Upper San  
Juan Valley--Mr. Hayden  
Explains Matters.**

#### Largo.

Special Correspondence.

LARGO, Jan. 7.—Antonio Chavez was accidentally shot through the hip by Pedro Montano at Alcatraz, Monday. A party of Mexicans were serenading and had indulged in a little wine. Three were wrestling when Chavez asked Montano to shoot off his pistol, as Montano fired, Chavez was accidentally pushed into the line of fire and wounded.

The upper San Juan valley is what is known as all that part of the San Juan valley lying above the mouth of Canon Largo commencing at Canon Largo. The first thing that is brought to one's notice is a ditch taken out of the San Juan river about four miles up the river and directly under the bluff, watering some five or six ranches in a narrow valley between the bluff and the river. This ditch is about completed as far as Largo canon and by some work in clearing up the land, a few fine small ranches will be brought into cultivation.

On the north side of the river are some fine ranches under ditch and produce with proper cultivation enormous crops, such as alfalfa, corn, wheat, oats and barley and all kinds of vegetables and fruits. The fruit orchards are as yet in their infancy, owing to neglect, and poverty of the owners of the land to get the trees and have them planted out in good order.

The farther up the river you go the finer the ranches and larger, until you get opposite Alcatraz, there the table lands run to the river. Opposite this and from Alcatraz up for several miles is another fine body of land, but is only farmed in patches on up to Pine river on the north and Gubnador canon, on the sides of the river a distance of some 20 miles from Canon Largo are ranches settled by Mexicans and could be made to support four times as many inhabitants as it does now. By proper care, more work and smaller farms, as it has been demonstrated that here with 40 acres of good land under a good ditch, is all one family wants to care for properly and can make more out of it and a better living than with more land. So far the markets are here at home.

Alfalfa hay is selling at for from \$5 to \$7 per ton on the ranch, fruit this year has been selling from 2 to 3 cents per pound. It is nearer Durango than Farmington, by 20 miles about a day's drive with a load. Lumberton is a better market than Durango and goods are cheaper.

The sheep ranges on the south in the winter climate about everything that is raised there. Probably one-sixth of the population are sheep raisers and have large flocks of sheep which are wintered south of here on the mesas and canons and get their supplies from the river.

Several ranches this year produced and put up over 100 tons of alfalfa to the ranch. The Jaquez, Gallegor, Archuletas, Martinez, Lobato, and Manzanares have the largest ranches in cultivation, but probably not more than one-fourth of the land is in cultivation and that could be made to yield double. What this valley needs now is a good wagon road and mail route from the railroad down the San Juan.

#### Flora Vista.

Special Correspondence.

FLORA VISTA, Jan. 7.—Will you kindly allow me to correct another misrepresentation in regard to the church lot at Flora Vista. I have been informed by a reliable person that Mr. Howard used these words in the pulpit at Flora Vista: "We counseled Judge Galbreath of Durango, the best lawyer in Colorado, and he said our title was all right, to go ahead." Now as Judge Galbreath is a friend of mine

I called on him and asked him on what ground he had given his decision and he said he had never given a decision, that Howard had never spoken to him about it, but Elder Neely had told him they were liable to have trouble about the church site and if they did they wanted him to attend to it for him and he told him he would look it up and afterwards changed his mind and said he would not bother with it. So this appears to be another way to encourage the people to work on the church. Now I can say to those good people that I have the opinion of four good lawyers who say it belongs to me and that I can recover damage from the church.

N. L. HAYDEN.

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Notice of Meeting for the Examination of Teachers.

Notice is hereby given that there will be meeting of the board of school examiners of the county of San Juan New Mexico, for the examination of teachers at Aztec, New Mexico, on the 20th day of January, 1896.

HARRY ALLEN,  
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Board of Examiners.

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S. R. BLAKE.

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Desert Land--Final Proof.

U. S. LAND OFFICE, SANTA FE, N. M.,  
December 21, 1895.

I, Daniel E. Row, of Farmington, N. M., who made Desert Land application No. 360, on the 15th day of February 1892, for SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , and W $\frac{1}{2}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , Sec. 9, T. 19 N. R. 13 W., hereby give notice of my intention to make final proof to establish my claim to the land above described before the Probate Clerk of San Juan County, N. M. at 10 o'clock, N. M., on Monday the 17th day of February 1896 and that I expect to prove that said land has been properly irrigated and reclaimed in the manner required by law by two of the following witnesses:  
John Kwanoch, Jefferson E. Locke, Homer Hayes, Thomas J. Arrington all of Farmington, N. M.  
JAMES H. WALKER, Register.

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